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My name is Zara Phillips I am an adopted person originally from the UK where birth records have been open since 1975 Nothing bad has ever happened because of this law. Adopted people are respectful people. I have had many years enjoying a relationship with my Birth Mother and siblings.

Young people are now able to find their families on facebook and via DNA tests ,which in some cases this can be more complicated and more hidden from the adopted parents. If adopted people had their information like everyone else in society they would not have to go to such extreme measures.

NJ and NYC just opened their records. Please do the right thing.

This a human rights issue. Every human has the right to now their Mothers names and their medical history. Everyone has a right to feel connected in the world so that they may go forward and lead happy fulfilled lives.

Thank you, Zara